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In response to the office Action of December 31, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Amend claims 60 and 66 as follows:

(Amended) A system for managing, by a primary shop, orders received from a first shop and orders placed with a second shop comprising:

communication means for communicating data indicating statuses of orders received and placed, orders received, and orders placed; and

display control means for controlling display on display means of a combination of an icon corresponding to a management item and data indicating a status of the management item represented by the icon,

wherein said display control means determines whether data input by said communication means is of an order received and placed, an order placed, or an order received,

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